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## HOME-MADE PHILOSOPHY.

That man is not absolutely free because a single problem in the world of that on which he dares think without fear and tremble.

The average boy doesn't try to be real good until a girl declares he is not good enough for her. He gets good then and she calls him liar. I can't figure out yet whether it is kismet to sleep in the same bed with the man you are having a law suit with, or whether it is only hypocrisy.

I never yet saw a man or woman too low down for me to speak to kindly, but I have seen men and women who considered themselves too high to speak to me.

The reason munny has got more influence in politics than truth and justice is because truth and justice have no power to corrupt and make things rotten.

A real good and moral man never wears a collar so high that it cuts his throat, nor carries a sheam about with him that will cut his neighbor's throat.

If men don't wear by hats to attract attention to their beeyooty and fine finger, why don't they wear shorter wuns? Do women wear feathers to keep them warm?

The most unnatural critter on earth is man. Wot wud you think of a skunk, or crow, or buzzard that wud think there wud be too rich to smear in with the common flock?

If Washington and Jefferson and Pat Henry had failed in 1776 weed now hafter look up the gallus to see our grate heroes and patriots. Rebellus either makes or brakes a feller.

A man knows just wot to do wen he falls inter the wotter; a woman knows wot to do wen she falls in love; but neether of 'em know wot to do wen they fall out, except workin' there jaws.

This is the motasses age of civilization—tally for the livin' and epitaphy for the dead. Weer gotten closer and closer to that sweet bye-and-bye the polit sung about wen he sat down on a humbail beezee nest wile gatherin' dandelions for greens.

Loyalty to rong is slavery to ignorance or cowardice. The man who duzent go back on his pettifol party wen he knows his party is rong, reminds me of the man who sed he wuz gwin to hell becausa he got p'inted that way wen a boy.

Wen a man blidze a house so grand that he izent fit to live in the best room, he reminds me of the farmer's wife who made sich good butter than run but the minister and the judge wuz good anuff to ete it—speakin' all wen it wuz worth 40 cents a pound.

AN EMPEROR'S POSTOFFICE.

No other sovereign in the whole world has what the emperor of the Germans, Kaiser Wilhelm, has. This is a little postoffice all for his own use. There is a special staff of officers detailed to look after, sort and distribute the hundreds of letters that come to the emperor every day.

A corps of special messengers is maintained for the special use of the Kaiser. All answers to official letters are forwarded, not by post, but by these special messengers. The men are selected with particular observance to their trustworthiness, and few instances are recorded wherein any one of them has failed in the prompt performance of his duty.

The letters are sorted into three classes—private, official and immediate. All letters are opened except those which are marked "Private" by the senders. Official letters are sent to the civil cabinet of his majesty if they treat of state matters, and to the military cabinet if the trend is military. All necessary inquiries concerning the writers are made by the heads of these two departments, and answers are made in accordance with the regulations for official letters. These answers are taken to the emperor, who signifies his approval by affixing his signature.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

The main difference between lunatics and other people is that lunatics have no fads.

When you get close enough, most of the deepest footprints on the sands of time look pigeon-toed.

If the men ran things for three weeks the human race would be eating off wooden dishes that they could put into the fire after each meal.

In his heart, every man thinks about once a week that his wife was a fool for marrying him, and the rest of the time that he was a fool for marrying her.

A woman may sometimes admit that she did wrong, but she will never admit that there wasn't a good excuse for it.—New York Press.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Riches are the wings that sometimes make an angel of an ordinary girl. The golden rule is too frequently used in drawing a line of conduct for others.

One should so conduct himself that he will not need to depend on good resolutions.

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## MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.

The Sixth Minnesota regiment has been mustered out at Savannah, Ga.

On the completion of the railroad to Kharطوم Gen. Lord Kitchener will open the Soudan.

Acting Secretary Melkiohn has issued an order formally disbanding the second and seventh army corps.

The retirement from active service of Lieut. Col. Wm. H. McLaughlin, sixteenth infantry, upon his own application, after over thirty year's service, is announced.

Capt. Will Stott, formerly of Franklin, Ind., who was with the one hundred sixty-first Indiana volunteers, has decided to return to Cuba in the near future to manage a tobacco plantation.

The United States transport McClellan sailed from New York for Cuba and Porto Rico. She carried 250,000 pounds of refrigerated beef and 580,000 pounds of forage, besides 250 recruits.

Capt. Swaine is relieved from mustering duty in the states of Nebraska and Kansas, and will proceed to New York City and report for further orders.

The great increase in the customs receipts of Havana and of San Juan has made necessary a large increase in the revenue cutter service of the United States.

Capt. Charles B. Hepburn, United States volunteer signal corps, will proceed from Guantanamo to Puerto Principe, Cuba, and report to the commanding general, and as signal officer of that department.

The rebels captured during the recent fighting between the English and Chinese in the British Kow Leon extension district have been sentenced to six months' imprisonment at hard labor.

According to advices from Hankow, capital of the Province of Hoo Pe, China, the Russians contemplate taking definite action, with reference to property now owned by British subjects in the Russian Jardine concession. The Russian Consul refuses to recognize the titles of the claimants.

The United States transport Thomas, Capt. Gibbons, arrived at New York from Guantanamo and Beraca with fifty-five cabin passengers and 650 men of the 5th United States volunteers. The cabin passengers are the officers of the regiment, their families and a few civilians.

That there is trouble brewing in South Africa, there is no question, and that the British government is preparing for it is evidenced by the fact that a draught of troops left for the Cape and more are to leave at once to reinforce the cavalry in Natal.

The ill-feeling between France and Russia is increasing, and stories are current of all sorts of differences that have taken place in Abyssinia between the French and Russian authorities there, which have created an unpleasant impression at Paris.

Capt. Walter K. Wright, seventh infantry, is detailed as a member of the examining board appointed to meet at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., vice Capt. William Laasiter, sixteenth infantry, who is relieved.

Adam Wageck of Ponca City, Ok., learning that his son George had been wounded before Calumpit, sent a cablegram to Manila inquiring about it. The answer was his son was severely wounded, but not dangerously. The cost of the cablegram and answer was \$58.

The campaign in the Soudan seems to be progressing right along and rapidly.

The Kansas State fair management at Wichita has offered Gen. Funston and his swimming comrades \$1000 to repeat their brilliant "river-swimming act" there in October. The Little Arkansas River will be fortified and the general and his men are asked to swim across, attack and take the fortification.

In view of Aguinaldo's refusal to negotiate with Spain for the release of Spanish prisoners, the government of Spain has asked the French government to arrange for fresh negotiations at Washington, through the French ambassador there for their release.

It has been decided that, in view of Minister Meary's accomplishments in Nicaragua, there is no longer any necessity for the presence of the cruiser Detroit at Bluefields. The vessel will therefore return to the United States from Colon by way of Greytown.

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## STRAY FACTS.

Cider is said to be fatal to the typhoid fever bacillus.

The Minneapolis curfew law applies to all children under 14.

More than 4,000,000 women work for their living in Great Britain.

Canada's mineral production has increased 270 per cent in the last thirteen years.

In the federal draft of 1863, 161,244 men failed to report and 73,607 furnished substitutes.

It is predicted that the census of 1900 will show a total of accumulated wealth of \$110,000,000,000.

Since 1787 the exports of the United States have amounted to \$34,352,826,560, and the imports to \$31,320,111,507.

Letters pass between Paris and Berlin, a distance of 750 miles, in thirty-five minutes. Pneumatic tubes are used.

In Europe 4,200 species of plants are used for commercial purposes. Of these 420 are used for perfumes and soaps.

The distance from San Francisco to Manila, by way of Honolulu, is 8,810 miles. From Puget sound it is 5,825 miles.

Visiting cards of iron are popular in Germany. The name is printed in silver. The thickness of the cards is one-hundredth of an inch.

The largest state debts are as follows: Virginia, \$26,747,132; Massachusetts, \$12,462,378; New York, \$9,240,660; Indiana, \$5,200,615; Georgia, \$5,051,500; Missouri, \$5,025,839; Pennsylvania, \$4,816,309. Iowa has none.

The annual loss by fire in the United States is about \$1,500,000,000 on insured property. The loss of life is not far from 3,000. Sixty-five dwellings are burned every day, fourteen hotels are burned every week, and forty warehouses are consumed every month. Ninety per cent of fires are discovered soon after the start.

## ODDS AND ENDS.

A well known aeronaut has noted the fact that the voice of a woman is audible in a balloon at the height of about two miles, while that of a man is never heard at a greater height than one mile.

More wharves are recommended by the American military authorities at Havana. The chief engineer of Havana harbor suggests six new piers near the general wharf and the improvement of the channel. The present docks are overcrowded and much lightening is necessary.

It has been discovered that the clay of which our common red bricks are made contains gold, about 25 cents' worth to every ton of bricks. An ingenious person has calculated that as there are at least 5,000,000 tons of bricks in London, there must be at least \$1,250,000 worth of the precious metal locked up in the walls of that metropolis alone.

The Medical News recently gave some interesting particulars of the earliest fees for medical treatment of which there is record. Herodotus states that Darius gave the slave Democedes two pairs of gold fetters. The usual fees in Greece at that time were very small, about 16 cents in our money being the equivalent for medical treatment, and for the kind of treatment they received this was undoubtedly ample pay. Yet there were notable exceptions, as one King Anacharsis paid \$150,000 for medical treatment, and later, when the Emperor Claudian paid his physician \$20,000 per annum. This was twice the income of the eminent physicians of that time.

THE FEMINE OBSERVER.

Ninety-nine kindnesses, one neglect, and the greater number is forgotten in the lesser.

Misfortune is so much the regular thing in some lives that good fortune is regarded with suspicion.

Attention without intention is what makes so many girls think they are going to be engaged when they are not.

Unless we have solved the problem of not eating, we discover that life after all is merely a hand-to-mouth sort of existence.

A person shows rare moral courage who honestly admits that he or she snores, for of course it is only a matter of hearsay after all.

One cannot tell whether it is a case of kindness or malicious intent when some one presents a young housekeeper with a chafing dish.

If physicians showed as much sympathy in every case as the patients feel they should they would be worn out emotionally in a few short months.

A woman is pretty sure of the affection of a man—or of a pretty good imitation of it—if she doesn't hesitate to tell him at least a dozen times a day how great he is.

THE MARCONI SYSTEM.

Cowless milk existed before the advent of the horseless carriage.

Boodleless city councils came into use in Chicago shortly after April 4, 1899.

The boy who removes his footgear to wade fur water lilies is on a boot-long quest.

**WOMEN** are assailed at every turn by troubles peculiar to their sex. Every mysterious ache or pain is a symptom. These distressing sensations will keep on coming unless properly treated.

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